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CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY **CALTRANS TO BEGIN PROJECT TO REHABILITATE** **BRIDGE APPROACH SLABS AND RAMPS ON** **STATE ROUTE 99 IN STANISLAUS COUNTY**

STANISLAUS COUNTY – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is preparing a project that will rehabilitate bridge approach slabs, as well as on and off-ramps, on State Route 99 (SR-99) from the Stanislaus/Merced County line to the Stanislaus/San Joaquin County line.

The project includes improving the pavement along the on and off-ramps, as well as replacing 'slabs' that physically link the highway to the bridges. Crews will also install loop detectors at select on and off-ramps, as well as line ditches with concrete to reduce erosion.

The loop detectors calculate real-time traffic information. When vehicles travel over the loops, which are placed under the roadway, electrical current produces a magnetic field that is sent to a sensor. That traffic-flow information is transmitted to Caltrans.

Work is scheduled to begin Sunday, April 14, 2019. Work will primarily be done at night with crews typically working Sunday night through Thursday night, 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

Motorists should expect lane closures and traffic congestion. Please plan for an extra 10 minutes of travel time through this location. This project is expected to be finished in the spring of 2020.

The improvements are critical because of SR-99's significance for commuters, big rigs and other travelers. In Modesto, well over 200,000 vehicles travel on SR-99 in an average day and that includes 30,000 big rigs and commercial trucks helping to bolster the Central Valley economy.

This \$21.1 million project will be performed by Teichert Construction of Sacramento.

Work is scheduled to begin as listed, but is subject to change due to traffic incidents, weather, availability of equipment and/or materials and construction related issues.

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